



Prairie River Camp

Application for Volunteer Positions

All of us at Prairie River Camp (PRC) appreciate your interest in working with us. A clear understanding of your background and work history will help us potentially place you in a position that meets your objectives and those of our ministry. Qualified applicants are considered for all open positions without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, veteran status, or the presence of a non-job-related medical condition or disability.

Please complete the following information. You can use the TAB key to quickly navigate to each field.

Date of Application:

Personal Information			
Name	Home Phone		
Address 1	Work Phone		
Address 2	Cell Phone		
City	State	Zip	
E-Mail			
Previous Address			
City	State	Zip	
Please list all states where you have lived in the past 10 years:			
Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
Marital Status: <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Engaged <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed			
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male		Date of Birth:	Age on June 1 st :

Volunteer Interest

Volunteer Position Desired

- ☐ As a Cabin Leader or Co-Cabin Leader
☐ In the kitchen (food preparation, dining hall set-up, doing dishes, etc.)
☐ In the properties area (mowing, splitting wood, general maintenance, etc.)
☐ In housekeeping (cleaning washrooms, dining hall, chapel, other guest areas)
☐ Help our Summer Staff Nurse during the week (RN, LPN, MD, EMT, CNA)
☐ Lead Horses (Horse Camp only!)
☐ Ropes Course ☐ I am a certified belayer
☐ Other _____

Please specify camps you would like to volunteer:

Date Available

- ☐ Middle School Camp, June 19-23
☐ Beginner Horse Camp, June 26-30
☐ Paintball Camp, June 27-30
☐ High School Camp, July 16-22
☐ Advanced Horse Camp, July 26-29

Have you previously been employed by PRC or had any experience as a volunteer in a PRC program?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, when and where?

☐ Kitchen ☐ Properties ☐ Housekeeping ☐ Head Leader ☐ Cabin Leader

List names of any relatives or persons you know who are, or have been, employed by

PRC:

Do you have experience in another Christian ministry?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Educational Background

High School

Grade Completed

University/College

Years Completed

Major field of Study

Graduated? Yes ☐ No ☐

Technical/Vocational

Years Completed

Field of Study

Graduated? Yes ☐ No ☐

Graduate/Seminary

Years Completed

Major field of Study

Graduated? Yes ☐ No ☐

Other apprenticeships, training programs, certifications or other special educational experiences:

Are you presently taking any educational courses?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, what and where?

Employment/ Volunteer History

Give information as completely as possible, listing your **current** position first. ***Include employed/self-employed periods, part-time, volunteer work and periods of unemployment.***

Company	_____	Phone Number	_____
Position	_____	Supervisor Name	_____
Dates of Employment	_____ To _____		

Summary of Duties

Reason for Leaving

May we contact this employer for a reference? Yes ☐ No ☐

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Emergency Contacts

1 st Contact Name:		Relationship:	
Street Address:		City:	State:
Phone Numbers:			
Home:	Work:	Cell:	
2 nd Contact Name:		Relationship:	
Street Address:		City:	State:
Phone Numbers			
Home:	Work:	Cell:	

References

Personal References

Please list three persons, not related to you, who are qualified to evaluate your capabilities and character. One of the references must be your Pastor.

Name _____	Relationship _____
Address _____	Phone # _____
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Name _____	Relationship _____
Address _____	Phone # _____
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Name _____	Relationship _____
Address _____	Phone # _____
City _____	State _____ Zip _____

Faith Background

Do you attend Church regularly? Yes ☐ No ☐

What church do you attend?

Address _____	Phone # _____
City _____	State _____ Zip _____

Are you a member? Yes ☐ No ☐

Describe when and how you became a Christian (attach additional pages if necessary):

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Describe your Christian walk as it relates to your interest in PRC:

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Explain how you would answer the question, "I want to follow Jesus Christ, will you help me understand how to become a Christian?" Please include any scripture you might use:

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What avenues of spiritual growth have you been involved in over the past six months? What role does God play in your life:

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Explain your involvement and experience with children/youth of camper age:

Criminal and Disciplinary Record

Because our mission and purpose as a Christian ministry is to bring hope, love, and healing to young people and their families, it is of great importance that we endeavor at all times to build our team with people of the highest moral and spiritual character. To maintain our high standards, we must ask all applicants to be prepared to subject themselves to certain personal, employment and criminal background checks.

"I, _____, do hereby testify, by means of this written statement, that I have never been involved in any incident of child abuse (sexual or otherwise) as a perpetrator. I further acknowledge that I have no strong desire or habitual tendency toward sexual perversion in which children are seen as sexual objects. I authorize Prairie River Camp to do background checks which may include: former employers, provided references, criminal records and any other resources as believed necessary. I also authorize the Executive Director of Prairie River Camp to rightfully dismiss me if any of my behavior toward any camper, counselor, guest and/or staff is seen as inappropriate or questionable."

Signature:

Date:

For that purpose please answer the following:

A. If selected for an interview, are you willing to submit to a criminal background check?

Yes ☐ No ☐

NOTICE: Pursuant to Minnesota Law, background checks will only be submitted if your application is accepted out-right or you are selected for an interview.

B. Have you ever been subject to disciplinary action, suspended, terminated or asked to leave a job or volunteer position by an employer or non-profit organization on the grounds that you engaged in child sexual abuse or neglect, or other immoral behavior, or on the grounds that you violated an employer's sexual misconduct or harassment policy?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, please explain:

Statement of Faith

All of our staff and volunteers must affirm our Statement of Faith as follows:

1. We believe the Bible to be the inspired, the infallible authoritative Word of God.
2. We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
3. We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and His personal return in power and glory.
4. We believe that for the salvation of lost and sinful people regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
5. We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a godly life.
6. We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
7. We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in Christ.

Our Mission

Prairie River Camp reaches people everywhere working together with the local church and other like-minded partners to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus who lead by their godliness in lifestyle, devotion to the Word of God and prayer, passion for sharing the love of Christ and commitment to social involvement.

Volunteer Expectations

The individual camper is why we are here -- involve yourself in who they are and what they do. Recognize that each camper is a creation of God and is worthy of receiving God's love through YOU.

You are an Example of Jesus Christ to the camper -- you may be the only reflection of God they will see. Therefore, keep Jesus central in all that you say and do.

You are the Standard Bearer to what is right -- re-enforce the good behavior over the bad.

Cabin Leaders

- You are to be with the campers at all times -- exceptions: you leader meetings.
- Cabin Leaders are expected to stay in the cabin after lights out.
- You are to participate with the campers in the activities -- show enthusiasm and give encouragement.
- Firmness. Encourage and support Christ-like behaviors. Adhere to and re-enforce obedience to all camp rules. Insist on acceptable language from campers, as well as respect for others. Lights out time is to be enforced (for the health and well-being of both the campers and cabin leaders).
- You play a very important role in helping to keep on schedule -- Be on time to all events. Please do not let campers see or know the schedule. This is to prevent them from being disappointed if changes need to be made due to weather, staff changes, etc.

Volunteer Workers

- Serve diligently within the direction of your PRC facilitator
- Observe all safety guidelines

Conduct yourself in a God-honoring and camper-inspiring manner – everyone can and should be an example

Applicant's Agreement with Prairie River Camp

If I am accepted to be a volunteer, I will abide by the policies of the camp and the principles of ethics, conduct and dress, asked of me, and will accept my proper responsibility as a member of the camp community. I hereby release all previous employers and/or references to furnish my records, reasons for leaving, and all information they may have concerning me. I hereby release them from all liability or damage arising there from.

By signing this application: I hereby authorize the camp to complete a criminal background check (if determined to be necessary) before I am placed into service. I am also saying that all information within this application is true. In the event of my placement as a volunteer, I shall be subject to dismissal if I have given false or incomplete information within this application. I realize that any photographs or recordings taken of me during my time at Prairie River Camp may be used in promotional materials.

If I am a minor (age 17 and under), I realize that I am expected to stay on PRC grounds during my entire time here. The exception to this rule is when I am participating in a camp sponsored activity and/or riding in a camp vehicle driven by an authorized adult staff person. (This is done not only for safety/liability reasons but also to aid in building community within the camp.) Volunteers who wish to work two or more sessions in a row must leave the grounds of the camp in between sessions (unless prior arrangements have been made with the Program Director, in which case a legal adult over the age of 18 needs to be present and responsible for the minor.) As a general rule camp personnel are not available in between sessions to provide guidance and supervision.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I certify that the statements I have made are true and correct.

I understand that if accepted as a volunteer, I will be required to abide by all of PRC's policies, standards or regulations as established from time to time.

I have read and agree with the Prairie River Camp mission statement, statement of faith and volunteer expectations.

I authorize PRC to investigate any information provided in this application, and I agree to cooperate in such investigations.

I further recognize and agree that, as a condition of acceptance as a volunteer, I consent to criminal, financial and motor vehicle background checks from federal, state and local agencies.

I hereby release PRC and all persons supplying information to PRC from all liability, claims for damages, or responsibility whatsoever with respect to information supplied. I further authorize my current employer and references to speak freely to PRC representatives and provide whatever information is required.

Name:		Date	
	(printed)		
Signature:			

Please use this section for cabin/roommate requests:

It is highly recommended that parents do not counsel their own children (unless there are special circumstances which must be cleared through the Program Director) to give them the full camp experience and for the benefit of other campers in the cabin. We can place you in a cabin located near your child's cabin, there is usually plenty of opportunity to interact with your child during free time, etc.

Request:

*All requests must be cleared through Program Director

- ☐ Will require housing ☐ Will bring my own housing—Camper, RV
☐ Have provided the camp with 3 references. (Separate forms).
☐ As a minor, I have permission from my parent/guardian to assist Prairie River Camp as a volunteer (parent/guardian signatures where required on this form)